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For:	A SELF-RETAINING IMPLANT AND A DEVICE FOR SECURING THE IMPLANT		

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the September 7, 2001, notice, Applicants hereby submit substitute drawings having the correct margins in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84.

Respectfully submitted,

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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

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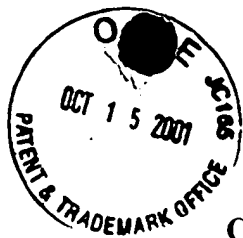
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